

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 66, Adjournment Resolution.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S1439–S1579*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 391–412, S.J. Res. 1, and S. Res. 55–57. **Pages S1513–14**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 63, to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–1)

S. 163, to establish the National Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area in the State of Utah, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–2)

S. 200, to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 109–3)

S. 203, to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands. (S. Rept. No. 109–4)

S. 204, to establish the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana. (S. Rept. No. 109–5)

S. 249, to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the States of Nevada and Utah. (S. Rept. No. 109–6)

S. 125, to designate the United States courthouse located at 501 I Street in Sacramento, California, as the “Robert T. Matsui United States Courthouse”.

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#### **Measures Passed:**

***Nazi War Crimes Working Group Extension Act:*** Senate passed S. 384, a bill to extend the existence of the Nazi War Crimes Working Group.

**Pages S1445–48**

***National MPS Awareness Day:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 57, designating February 25, 2005 as “National MPS Awareness Day”. **Pages S1577–78**

***Honoring John Hume:*** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration

of S. Res. 54, paying tribute to John Hume, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S1578–79**

**Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act:** Senate completed consideration S. 306, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1459–86**

**Adopted:**

Enzi Amendment No. 13, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1486**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 3 p.m., on Thursday, February 17, 2005, Senate will continue consideration of the bill, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon.

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**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report, pursuant to section 203(a) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act and section 201(a) of the National Emergencies Act declaring national emergencies in Executive Orders 13224 of 9–23–01, as amended, and 12947 of 01–23–95, as amended with a new Executive Order Clarifying Certain Executive Orders Blocking Property and Prohibiting Certain Transactions; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–5) **Page S1504**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of State. **Pages S1577, S1579**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S1504**

**Measures Read First Time:** **Page S1504**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S1504–13**

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**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S1514–15**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:****Pages S1515–61****Additional Statements:****Pages S1503–04****Amendments Submitted:****Pages S1561–69****Authority for Committees to Meet: Pages S1569–70****Privilege of the Floor:****Page S1570**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, February 17, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1579.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine on proposed legislation making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, after receiving testimony from Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary, and Tina W. Jonas, Under Secretary, Comptroller, both of the Department of Defense; and General Richard B. Myers, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### MONETARY POLICY REPORT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to Congress, focusing on the Federal Reserve's objectives of price stability and maximum sustainable employment, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

### BUDGET: 2006

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee held a hearing to examine the transparency of budget measures, focusing on the economic costs of long-term federal obligations, receiving testimony from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 48, to reauthorize appropriations for the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route, with an amendment;

S. 52, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a parcel of real property to Beaver County, Utah;

S. 54, to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the

feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, with an amendment;

S. 55, to adjust the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado;

S. 56, to establish the Rio Grande Natural Area in the State of Colorado;

S. 57, to further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000;

S. 97, to provide for the sale of bentonite in Big Horn County, Wyoming;

S. 99, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming;

S. 101, to convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation;

S. 128, to designate certain public land in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, and Napa Counties in the State of California as wilderness, to designate certain segments of the Black Butte River in Mendocino County, California as a wild or scenic river;

S. 136, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist certain local school districts in the State of California in providing education services for students attending schools located within Yosemite National Park, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, with an amendment;

S. 152, to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, with an amendment;

S. 161, to provide for a land exchange in the State of Arizona between the Secretary of Agriculture and Yavapai Ranch Limited Partnership;

S. 182, to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, with an amendment;

S. 272, to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, with an amendment;

S. 276, to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota; and S. 301, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, with an amendment.